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SUBJECT: 58TH ECOSOC: AGENDA ITEM 13 - ELECTIONS

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1. OF THE 18 COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, ETC. LISTED AS SUB-ITEMS UNDER AGENDA ITEM 13 (ELECTIONS), US TERMS OF OFFICE EXPIRE DEC. 31, 1975 ON FOLLOWING FOUR, FOR WHICH WE WISH TO STAND FOR REELECTION AT UPCOMING 58TH ECOSOC:

(C) COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (FOUR-YEAR TERM).

(F) COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS (FOUR-YEAR TERM).

(J) COMMITTEE ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL (FOUR-YEAR TERM).

(L) GOVERNING COUNCIL OF UNDP (THREE-YEAR TERM). (REF STATE 51704)

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2. CONFIRMING POOLE-KITCHEN TELCON, WE ARE PLEASED YOU HAVE ALREADY INITIATED STEPS IN WEO GROUP TO ADVANCE US CANDIDACY FOR REELECTION TO ABOVE BODIES (REFTEL). WE ;ATHER FORMAL WEO ENDORSEMENT WILL BE FORTHCOMING WITHOUT A HITCH IN CASES OF (C), (J) AND (L), BUT THAT PROBLEM REMAINS UNRESOLVED IN CASE OF (F), COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, WHERE THERE ARE NINE WEO CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION

OR REELECTION TO SIX SEATS NOW HELD BY WEO'S (ALBEIT SEATS ARE NOT ALLOTTED ON STRICTLY REGIONAL BASIS, ELECTION CRITERIA BEING A MIX BETWEEN INVOLVEMENT WITH NARCOTIC DRUG PROBLEM AND GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION). SEPTTEL WILL FOLLOW GIVING ARGUMENTATION TO ASSIST YOU IN SEEKING WEO ENDORSEMENT AS WELL AS SUPPORT OF OTHER ECOSOC MEMBERS, AS WE CONSIDER REELECTION TO COMMISSION OF GREAT IMPORTANCE.

3. RE SUB-ITEM (N), COMMITTEE ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CONTROL: AS USUN IS AWARE, SECRETARY GENERAL WILL RECOMMEND TO ECOSOC RICHARD W. VELDE (ADMINISTRATOR, LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE AGENCY, DEPT. OF JUSTICE) TO REPLACE NORMAN A. CARLSON AS US "EXPERT" ON COMMITTEE, ALL TERMS HAVING EXPIRED DEC. 31, 1974. YOU SHOULD, OF COURSE, SUPPORT NOMINATION. YOU MAY ALSO SUPPORT SECRETARIAT'S RECOMMENDATION THAT TERMS OF ALL MEMBERS BE EXTENDED FROM THREE TO FOUR YEARS SINCE COMMITTEE WILL HENCEFORTH MEET BIENNIALY.

4. US MEMBERSHIP IS NOT AT STAKE IN REMAINING 13 CASES, AS TERMS CONTINUE AT LEAST THROUGH 1976 IN ALL CASES EXCEPT FOR (P), BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE SPECIAL FUND, ON WHICH USHAS DECLINED TO SERVE. KISSINGER

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